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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 35 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2006, setting a three-month period for reply up to and including June 15, 2006. A one month extension of time is submitted herewith extending the period for reply up to and including July 17, 2006 (July 15, 2006 being a Saturday).

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** being on page 9 of this paper.